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Application No. 09/973,769

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REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration of this application as amended.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing Claims 29 and 35-48. By this Amendment, Claims 1-20, 22-28 and 30-34 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claim 21 was previously cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Thus, allowed Claims 29 and 35-48 remain pending in the present application.

All finally rejected claims being herewith cancelled, Applicant respectfully requests this application be passed to issue.

Should the Examiner believe that any further action is necessary to place this application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 (T3497-9052US01) any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been separately requested, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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